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**Subject:** A Message from HUD Secretary Shaun Donovan on the Affordable Care Act, & HUD has published a new proposed rule on Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing in the Federal Register

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**A Message from HUD Secretary Shaun Donovan on the Affordable Care Act:**

HUD has posted a video message from HUD Secretary Shaun Donovan on the Affordable Care Act on the HUDdle blog at:

<http://blog.hud.gov/index.php/2013/07/24/message-hud-secretary-shaun-donovan-affordable-care-act/>

To stay up on the latest developments at HUD, please read "The HUDdle": The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Official Blog. On this blog, HUD will share information about programs, interact with the public, and get feedback about the work HUD is doing. Visit the HUDdle on-line at: <http://blog.hud.gov/>

AND

**HUD has published a new proposed rule on Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing in the Federal Register:**

Title: Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing

Agency/Docket Number: FR-5173-P-01

RIN: 2501-AD33

Document Number: 2013-16751

Action: Proposed Rule.

Summary: Through this rule, HUD proposes to provide HUD program participants with more effective means to affirmatively further the purposes and policies of the Fair Housing Act, which is Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968. The Fair Housing Act not only prohibits discrimination but, in conjunction with other statutes, directs HUD's program participants to take steps proactively to overcome historic patterns of segregation, promote fair housing choice, and foster inclusive communities for all.

We encourage you to read the rule and try prototype of the geospatial tool at:

[http://www.huduser.org/portal/affht\\_pt.html#dataTool-tab](http://www.huduser.org/portal/affht_pt.html#dataTool-tab)

To read the new proposed rule in its entirety please visit:

<https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2013/07/19/2013-16751/affirmatively-furthering-fair-housing>

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## **Bulk subscriptions:**

Some housing counselors have asked, "How do I sign up my entire agency staff for housing counseling listserv updates?" It is easy... Just list your staff email addresses like this:

[aaa@xyz.com](mailto:aaa@xyz.com)

[bbb@xyz.com](mailto:bbb@xyz.com)

[ccc@xyz.com](mailto:ccc@xyz.com)

You can send in one email address or your entire agency. Email your list to:

[jerrold.h.mayer@hud.gov](mailto:jerrold.h.mayer@hud.gov)

If you have a housing counseling industry friend who you want to subscribe to this listserv, there are 3 other ways to sign up: 1. send them this link:

[http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\\_offices/housing/sfh/hcc/ohc\\_listserv](http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/housing/sfh/hcc/ohc_listserv)

they can sign up for the listserv there; or 2: forward them this email; or 3: Visit:

<http://www.usa.gov> and subscribe at:

<http://apps.gsa.gov/FirstGovCommonSubscriptionService.php> To unsubscribe - go to:

<http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/subscribe/maillinglist> and click on

"Housing Counseling" and follow the unsubscribe instructions on that page.

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## **Some Helpful Links for Housing Counselors:**

HUD Housing Counseling: [www.hud.gov/housingcounseling](http://www.hud.gov/housingcounseling)

"The Bridge" is the HUD Office of Housing Counseling Newsletter; read archived issues on-line at:

[http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\\_offices/housing/sfh/hcc/ohc\\_bridge](http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/housing/sfh/hcc/ohc_bridge)

Housing Counseling Listserv archive:

[http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\\_offices/housing/sfh/hcc/ohc\\_msg](http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/housing/sfh/hcc/ohc_msg)

Events & Training Calendar:

[http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?mode=disppage&id=OHC\\_TRAINING](http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?mode=disppage&id=OHC_TRAINING)

Contracting Opportunities:

[http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/program\\_offices/cpo](http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/program_offices/cpo)

Career Opportunities: <http://www.usajobs.gov>

Grant Opportunities:

[http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/program\\_offices/administration/grants/fund savai](http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/program_offices/administration/grants/fund_savai)

Presidentially Declared Disaster Areas:

[http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\\_offices/housing/sfh/nsc/disaster](http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/housing/sfh/nsc/disaster)

Foreclosure Assistance:

[http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/i\\_want to/talk to a housing counselor](http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/i_want_to/talk_to_a_housing_counselor)

Making Home Affordable: <http://www.makinghomeaffordable.gov/pages/default.aspx>

Freddie Mac Housing Professionals Resource

Center: <http://www.freddiemac.com/corporate/housingpros/>

This list will often provide training opportunities and event announcements for non-profit and local government HUD Housing Counseling partners. HUD does not endorse the organizations sponsoring linked websites, and we do not endorse the views they express or the products/services they or their community/business partners offer. For more information on HUD's web policies please visit:

<http://www.hud.gov/assist/webpolicies.cfm>

Thank you!!!!